

## USING TRANSITIONS TO CONNECT IDEAS

A transition is a word or a phrase that connects two parts of a piece of writing. Within paragraphs, transitions are used to connect sentences and, sometimes, parts of sentences.

### 1. Transitions to show time/chronological order

<i>about</i>	<i>first</i>	<i>meanwhile</i>	<i>soon</i>	<i>then</i>	<i>in the future</i>
<i>after</i>	<i>second</i>	<i>today</i>	<i>later</i>	<i>next</i>	<i>in the past</i>
<i>at</i>	<i>third</i>	<i>tomorrow</i>	<i>afterward</i>	<i>as soon as</i>	<i>recently</i>
<i>before</i>	<i>last of all</i>	<i>next week</i>	<i>immediately</i>	<i>eventually</i>	
<i>during</i>	<i>until</i>	<i>yesterday</i>	<i>finally</i>	<i>last of all</i>	

### 2. Transitions to show spatial order

<i>beside</i>	<i>next to</i>	<i>in front</i>	<i>to the right</i>	<i>behind</i>
<i>in the middle</i>	<i>on top</i>	<i>beneath</i>	<i>beside</i>	

### 3. Transitions to show degree order

<i>more</i>	<i>least</i>	<i>more importantly</i>	<i>least important</i>
<i>less</i>	<i>most</i>	<i>most important</i>	

### 4. Transitions to compare/to show comparisons/to show similarities

<i>in the same way</i>	<i>likewise</i>	<i>as</i>	<i>also</i>	<i>like</i>	<i>similarly</i>
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### 5. Transitions to show cause and effect order

<i>one cause</i>	<i>another effect</i>	<i>as a result</i>	<i>consequently</i>	<i>therefore</i>
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### 6. Transitions for classification

<i>another group</i>	<i>the first type</i>	<i>one kind</i>	<i>other sorts</i>	<i>other types</i>	<i>other kinds</i>
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### 7. Transitions to introduce examples and add information

<i>for example</i>	<i>another example</i>	<i>along with</i>	<i>finally</i>
<i>one example</i>	<i>in addition</i>	<i>as well</i>	<i>a final example</i>
<i>for instance</i>	<i>additionally</i>	<i>also</i>	

### 8. Transitions to introduce a conclusion, summary, or generalization

<i>In conclusion</i>	<i>Therefore</i>	<i>As a result</i>	<i>Finally</i>	<i>In summary</i>	<i>In general</i>
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### 9. Transitions to show differences/to contrast/to show a contradiction

<i>nonetheless</i>	<i>despite</i>	<i>instead</i>	<i>on the other hand</i>
<i>nevertheless</i>	<i>however</i>	<i>on the contrary</i>	<i>in contrast</i>
<i>but</i>	<i>in spite of this</i>	<i>different from</i>	<i>unlike this</i>
<i>although</i>	<i>otherwise</i>	<i>yet</i>	<i>another difference</i>